

**New Jersey Department of Education  
School Self –Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill  
of Rights  
District and School Grade Report**

The Rockaway Borough Schools and District's HIB Grades from the New Jersey Department of Education were released March 4, 2014. Grades indicate that the district exceeds or meets the requirements of the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Laws. The items below detail our progress and plans over the past three years.

- Beginning with the 2011-12 school year, Rockaway Borough has conscientiously implemented the requirements found in the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act by assigning personnel, implementing policy and procedures and notification of parents.
  
- During the first two years of implementation of the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act, we have addressed and improved harassment, intimidation and bullying as well as school climate and culture through more relevant staff trainings, the appointment of personnel, and setting up more streamlined reporting and investigative procedures.
  
- While completing the Self-Assessment, we learned that our school district has demonstrated strength in the following areas: program initiatives, staff training, and collaboration between key HIB personnel.
  
- The Self-Assessment helped our school district to identify areas of improvement in regards to the investigative and reporting process as well as to the analysis of individual school data to drive programming.
  
- During the upcoming year, our school will be working towards and seeking your involvement and support in improving and sustaining proactive approaches such as our School Wide Positive Behavior Program, RAMS, as well as aligning district programming and curriculum.